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COAGULATION DISORDERS USING METAL IONS (AS
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please make the following amendments prior to examination.

In the Title

Please amend the title to read --In Vitro Methods for Screening for Blood Coagulation

Disorders Using Metal Ions--.

In the Specification

On page 1, please replace paragraph 1, lines 4-5, with the following:

--This is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/273,413 filed March 19, 1999, which ^{US PATENT} 6,395,501
claims priority to European Appln. 98105043.8, filed on March 19, 1998, the disclosures of which
are incorporated herein by reference.--

In the Drawings

Please enter the formal drawings in which no text has been added or removed, but rather, the
margins and figure legends have been corrected in accordance with the Notice of Draftsperson's
Patent Drawing Review (copy enclosed) that issued in the parent application. A Letter to the